Research Subjects' Bill of Rights

You have been asked to participate in a research study. Any participant in a research study has the right to:

- a) Be told the nature and purpose of the study.
- b) Be given an explanation of what will happen during the study and of how the research participant is expected to participate.
- c) Be given an explanation of any risks or discomforts that may be experienced as a result of participating in the study.
- d) Be given an explanation of any benefits that may be expected from participation in the study.
- e) Be told of other appropriate choices that may be better or worse than being in the study, and be told of the risks and benefits of those other choices.
- f) Have the opportunity to ask questions about the study or about your participation in it, both before agreeing to participate in the study and during the course of the study.
- g) Be told that you may withdraw your consent and participation in the study at any time, and that your withdrawal will not affect your services.
- h) Be told that you may refuse to answer any question.
- i) Be given a copy of the signed and dated consent form.
- j) Be free of pressure when considering whether to consent to, and participate in, the study.
- k) Be informed, upon request, about the results of the study.